

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
TYLER DIVISION

TRITON IP, LLC,)
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Plaintiff,)
)
v.) CIVIL ACTION NO. 6-07CV-067
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1. SAGE GROUP, PLC,) Jury Trial Demanded
2. SAGE SOFTWARE, INC.,)
3. SSA GLOBAL TECHNOLOGIES, INC.,)
4. INFOR GLOBAL SOLUTIONS, INC.,)
5. SAS INSTITUTE, INC.,)
6. FRONTRANGE SOLUTIONS, INC.,)
7. ONYX SOFTWARE CORPORATION,)
8. MADE2MANAGE SYSTEMS, INC., and)
)
Defendants.)

**MADE2MANAGE SYSTEMS, INC.'S ANSWER AND COUNTERCLAIM
IN RESPONSE TO TRITON IP, LLC'S SECOND AMENDED COMPLAINT**

Made2Manage Systems, Inc. ("Made2Manage"), respectfully submits its Answer, Additional Defenses and Counterclaim in response to the Second Amended Complaint and Demand for Jury Trial ("Complaint") of Triton IP, LLC ("Triton"). Made2Manage states that anything in Triton's Complaint that is not expressly addressed in the following Answer is denied.

ANSWER

Parties

1. Made2Manage is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the averments in Paragraph 1 of the Complaint.
2. Made2Manage is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the averments in Paragraph 2 of the Complaint.

3. Made2Manage is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the averments in Paragraph 3 of the Complaint.

4. Made2Manage is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the averments in Paragraph 4 of the Complaint.

5. Made2Manage is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the averments in Paragraph 5 of the Complaint.

6. Made2Manage is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the averments in Paragraph 6 of the Complaint.

7. Made2Manage is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the averments in Paragraph 7 of the Complaint.

8. Made2Manage admits that Onyx Software Corporation is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Washington and that its corporate headquarters and principal place of business are located at 12131 113th Ave. NE, Suite 101, Kirkland, Washington 98034. Made2Manage admits that Onyx Software Corporation is qualified to do business in the State of Texas and that it has appointed CT Corporation, 350 North St. Paul Street, Suite 750, Dallas Texas 75201 as its agent for service of process.

9. Made2Manage admits that it is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Indiana and that its corporate headquarters and principal place of business is located at 4450 East 96th Street, Suite 300, Indianapolis, Indiana 46240. Made2Manage admits that it is qualified to do business in the State of Texas and that it has appointed CT Corporation, 350 North St. Paul Street, Suite 750, Dallas Texas 75201 as its agent for service of process.

Jurisdiction and Venue

10. Made2Manage admits that Triton's Complaint purports to arise under the patent laws of the United States, Title 35 of the United States Code, but denies any wrongdoing or liability on its own behalf for the reasons stated herein. Made2Manage admits that the Court has jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1338(a). Except as expressly admitted, Made2Manage denies the remaining allegations in Paragraph 10 of the Complaint.

11. Made2Manage denies that venue is proper as to Made2Manage in this District pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1391 and 1400(b). Made2Manage admits that it has transacted business within the State of Texas. Made2Manage denies, however, that it has a regular and established place of business in this judicial district. Made2Manage also denies that it has committed any acts of infringement within this judicial district, the State of Texas or within the United States, and specifically denies any wrongdoing, direct infringement, inducement of infringement, or contribution to infringement. Made2Manage is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the averments as to the other Defendants. Except as expressly admitted herein, Made2Manage denies the remaining allegations of Paragraph 11 as to Made2Manage.

Alleged Infringement Of U.S. Patent No. 6,067,525

12. Made2Manage admits that United States Patent No. 6,067,525 ("the '525 patent") recites an issue date of May 23, 2000, and bears the title "Integrated Computerized Sales Force Automation System." Made2Manage also admits that records from the United States Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO") list Triton as the owner of the '525 patent by assignment. Made2Manage further admits that a copy of the '525 patent was attached to the original Complaint as Exhibit A. Made2Manage denies, however, that the '525 patent was duly issued.

Made2Manage denies that it has committed any act of direct or indirect infringement (whether categorized as inducement or contributory). Made2Manage denies the validity and enforceability of the '525 patent, including in particular any claim thereof that may be asserted against Made2Manage. Made2Manage denies that it is liable to Triton, and denies that Triton has been or will be injured by any act of Made2Manage. Except as expressly admitted, Made2Manage denies the allegations of Paragraph 12 of the Complaint.

13. Made2Manage is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of allegations of Paragraph 13 of the Complaint.

14. Made2Manage is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of allegations of Paragraph 14 of the Complaint.

15. Made2Manage is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of allegations of Paragraph 15 of the Complaint.

16. Made2Manage is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of allegations of Paragraph 16 of the Complaint.

17. Made2Manage is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of allegations of Paragraph 17 of the Complaint.

18. Made2Manage is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of allegations of Paragraph 18 of the Complaint.

19. Made2Manage denies the allegations of Paragraph 19 of the Complaint, and specifically denies that it has infringed the '525 patent. More specifically, Made2Manage denies that it has committed any act of direct or indirect infringement (whether categorized as inducement or contributory). Made2Manage denies the validity and enforceability of the '525 patent, including in particular any claim thereof that may be asserted against Made2Manage.

Made2Manage denies that it is liable to Triton, and denies that Triton has been or will be injured by any act of Made2Manage.

20. Made2Manage denies the allegations of Paragraph 20 of the Complaint.

21. Made2Manage denies that either it or Onyx Software Corporation have actively induced or are actively inducing infringement of the '525 patent, and that either is liable for contributory infringement. Made2Manage is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of Paragraph 21 of the Complaint as to the other Defendants. Except as otherwise expressly addressed, Made2Manage denies the allegations of Paragraph 21 of the Complaint.

22. Made2Manage is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of Paragraph 22 of the Complaint.

23. Made2Manage denies the allegations of Paragraph 23 of the Complaint as to itself and Onyx Software Corporation. Made2Manage is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 23 of the Complaint as to the other Defendants.

24. Made2Manage denies the allegations of Paragraph 24 of the Complaint.

25. Made2Manage denies the allegations of Paragraph 25 of the Complaint.

Prayer for Relief

WHEREFORE, Made2Manage prays that Triton take nothing by way of its Complaint, that judgment be entered for Made2Manage dismissing Triton's Complaint, with prejudice, that this action be found to be an exceptional case entitling Made2Manage to recovery of its attorneys' fees and costs incurred in defending against Triton's Complaint, for costs of this action and such other and further relief as the Court deems appropriate.

ADDITIONAL DEFENSES

As additional defenses, Made2Manage alleges as follows:

First Additional Defense – Non-Infringement

Made2Manage does not infringe and has not infringed, either directly, indirectly, contributorily, or by inducement, any claim of the '525 patent, either literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, willfully or otherwise.

Second Additional Defense – Invalidity

Each and every claim of the '525 patent is invalid for failure to comply with the requirements of Title 35, United States Code, including, but not limited to Sections 101, 102, 103, and/or 112.

Third Additional Defense – Failure to Mark

Based on a reasonable expectation that discovery will develop evidentiary support after a reasonable opportunity to investigate and conduct discovery, Made2Manage asserts that Triton is barred in whole or in part from recovering damages under 35 U.S.C. § 287.

Fourth Additional Defense – Laches

Triton's claims for relief are barred in whole or in part, by the equitable doctrine of laches.

Fifth Additional Defense – Statute of Limitations

Triton's claims for relief and prayer for damages are limited by 35 U.S.C. § 286.

Sixth Additional Defense – Prosecution Estoppel

Triton is estopped from construing the claims of the '525 patent in such a way as any cover any of Made2Manage's products or processes by reasons of statements made to the USPTO during the prosecution of the application that led to the issuance of the '525 patent.

Made2Manage reserves the right to assert any other basis for invalidity or unenforceability that discovery may reveal.

COUNTERCLAIM

Jurisdiction and Venue

For its Counterclaim against Triton, Made2Manage alleges:

1. Made2Manage is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Indiana and that its corporate headquarters and principal place of business is located at 4450 East 96th Street, Suite 300, Indianapolis, Indiana 46240.

2. On information and belief, Triton is a Texas Limited Liability Company with its principal place of business at 207 C. North Washington Ave., Marshall, Texas 75670.

3. These Counterclaims arise under the United States patent laws, 35 U.S.C. § 101 *et seq.* These counterclaims seek declaratory relief for which this Court has jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331, 1338, 2201, and 2202.

4. To the extent that this action remains in this District, venue is appropriate because Triton has consented to the propriety of venue in this Court by filing its claim for patent infringement in this Court, in response to which this counterclaim is asserted.

Facts Concerning the '525 Patent

5. Triton claims to be the owner by assignment of U.S. Patent No. 6,067,525 ("the '525 patent"), entitled "Integrated Computerized Sales Force Automation System." The '525 patent identifies the alleged inventors as Jerome Dale Johnson, David Robert Lundberg, and Michael Paul Krebsbach. On-line records of the USPTO list Triton as the owner of the '525 patent by assignment.

Count One --- United States Patent No. 6,067,525

A. Declaration of Noninfringement

6. An actual and justiciable controversy exists between Made2Manage and Triton with respect to the '525 patent because Triton has brought this action against Made2Manage alleging that Made2Manage infringes the '525 patent, which allegation Made2Manage denies. Absent a declaration of noninfringement, Triton will continue to wrongfully assert the '525 patent against Made2Manage.

7. Made2Manage has not infringed the '525 patent, either directly or indirectly, literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, willfully, or otherwise, and is entitled to a declaration to that effect.

8. This is an exceptional case entitling Made2Manage to an award of its attorneys' fees incurred in connection with this action pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 285.

B. Declaration of Invalidity

9. An actual and justiciable controversy exists between Made2Manage and Triton with respect to the validity of the '525 patent because Triton has brought this action against Made2Manage alleging that Made2Manage infringes the '525 patent, which allegation

Made2Manage denies. Absent a declaration of invalidity, Triton will continue to wrongfully assert the '525 patent against Made2Manage.

10. The '525 patent is invalid under the provisions of Title 35, United States Code, including, but not limited to Sections 101, 102, 103, and/or 112, and Made2Manage is entitled to a declaration to that effect.

11. This is an exceptional case entitling Made2Manage to an award of its attorneys' fees incurred in connection with this action pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 285.

Prayer for Relief

WHEREFORE, Made2Manage seeks the following relief:

- a. That each and every claim of the '525 patent be declared not infringed by Made2Manage, and also declared invalid and unenforceable;
- b. That Triton take nothing by its Complaint and that Triton's Complaint be dismissed with prejudice;
- c. That pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 285 and/or other applicable laws, Triton's conduct in commencing and pursuing this action be found to render this an exceptional case and that Made2Manage be awarded its attorneys' fees and costs incurred in connection with this action;
- d. That Made2Manage be awarded its cost of suit incurred herein; and
- e. That Made2Manage be granted such other and additional relief as this Court deems just and proper.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on June 21, 2007, a copy of the foregoing was filed electronically. Notice of this filing will be sent to all counsel of record by operation of the Court's electronic filing system. Parties may access this filing through the Court's system.

s/John F. Prescott, Jr.
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